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AMENDMENT

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Pursuant to the Official Action dated September 27, 2004 and received in regard to the above-identified application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

TRAVERSAL OF ELECTION OF SPECIES

The Examiner has restricted Claims 8-14 stating that they are based on the embodiment of Fig. 4, which is patentable distinct from the embodiment of Figs 1-3.

The Applicant respectfully traverses this requirement.

Claim 8 has been amended. Claim 8 is now generic to all the shown embodiments of the invention. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.141, since Claim 8 is generic to all species, the Election Requirement should be withdrawn and all claims considered upon their merits.